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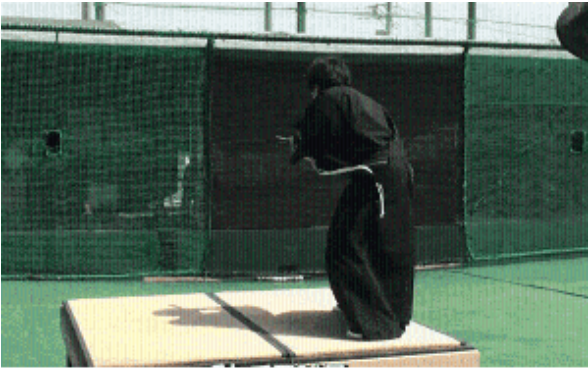
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YOUR NEWS FOR FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2018

**ICF acquires British firm We are Vista**

ICF International Inc., the parent company of Minneapolis-based ICF Olson, has acquired U.K.-based We are Vista in a bid to beef up its marketing capabilities in Europe. We are Vista is a 100-person company based in Leeds and London that's drawn recognition for its work in communications strategy, research, digital engagement, content development, design and art direction. The company has developed campaigns for well-known brand names in the technology, financial, retail and transportation. [\(Business Journals\)](#)



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**Opponents of Enbridge oil pipeline protest in Minneapolis**

Opponents have protested in downtown Minneapolis against Enbridge Energy's plan to replace its aging Line 3 crude oil pipeline across northern Minnesota. Protesters Thursday erected two large tepees outside a Wells Fargo building. Wells Fargo says while the San Francisco-based bank has a relationship with Canadian-based Enbridge and other energy companies, it is not funding the project. [\(Charlotte Observer\)](#)



**West St. Paul YMCA confirms Hy-Vee's interest**

The YMCA of the Greater Twin Cities acknowledged Thursday that Hy-Vee wants to buy its West St. Paul property. In an email to members of its West St. Paul branch, the YMCA said the Iowa-based grocer was the one that signed a purchase agreement in December for the 10-acre site just east of the retail-heavy South Robert Street. For more than a year, rumors have swirled about Hy-Vee's interest in the property. However, the grocer, the Y and city officials were not willing to speak publicly about it. [\(Twin Cities Pioneer Press\)](#)



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**Top Surly brewer jumps to Fair State Brewing**

Jerrod Johnson, one of Surly Brewing's most senior brewers, has switched beers. The Growler reports that Johnson, the co-head brewer at Minneapolis-based Surly, has joined Fair State Brewing Cooperative as director of brewing operations. Fair State co-founder Niko Tonks will stay head brewer there, with Johnson managing operations at the brewery's St. Paul production facility. [\(Business Journals\)](#)



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**Gucci boss reassures staff over looming era of slower growth**

The head of Gucci has reassured shop staff over a looming slowdown in the pace of sales growth after a revenue explosion at the Kering-owned label, according to an internal video message seen by Reuters. [\(Fashion Network\)](#)



**The big hack: How China used a tiny chip to infiltrate U.S. companies**

An attack by Chinese spies reached almost 30 U.S. companies, including Amazon and Apple, by compromising America's technology supply chain, according to extensive interviews with government and corporate sources. [\(Bloomberg\)](#)



**Scott Galloway: Amazon is 'beating up' on Google, Facebook and Apple**

Scott Galloway's book "The Four" is about tech giants Google, Facebook, Apple and Amazon and how they pose a threat to just about every other business on the planet. But he's mulling a sequel, because he now thinks the first three need to fear the fourth. [\(Ad Age\)](#)





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U.S. preparing to make autonomous vehicle r&d easier

NHTSA is moving ahead with plans to revise safety rules that bar fully self-driving cars from the roads without equipment like steering wheels, pedals and mirrors, Reuters reported. [\(Automotive News\)](#)



Nokia is the latest smartphone maker to announce wireless headphones

Nokia announced its new flagship smartphone Thursday, the Nokia 7.1, and along with it, True Wireless earbuds and the Nokia Pro Wireless Earphones. Nokia is the latest smartphone maker to announce its own wireless headphones, following in the steps of Apple, Google, and Samsung. [\(The Verge\)](#)



Does UiPath’s ‘triple unicorn’ status signal arrival of the automation age?

Robotic process automation company UiPath Inc. made news when it raised \$225 million, pushing the firm into “triple unicorn” territory. As the company leads its UiPathForward Americas conference in Miami this week, the central focus will be on whether the age of automation and robotics has finally arrived. [\(SiliconANGLE\)](#)





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